

Little Compton School Committee Minutes

December 12, 2006

Present: J. Quinn, C. Cady, P. Desilets, Donald Gomez, Michael Harrington, Dr. Devine-Superintendent, Mrs. Blaess-Principal

I. Meeting was called to order at 7:18 pm in the Wilbur/McMahon School library.

a. A motion was made to move 7-h ahead in the agenda. Motion made by P. Desilets, seconded by J. Quinn. 5-0 approved.

b. 7-h was discussed to consider a position of Vice Chairman in the absence of the Chairman. Motion to accept the position of Vice Chair was made by P. Desilets, seconded by D. Gomez, 5-0 approved. J. Quinn was nominated as Chairman and elected as Chairman. C. Cady was nominated as Vice Chairman and elected as Vice Chairman. D. Gomez was nominated as Clerk and elected as Clerk.

II. Executive Session – None Planned.

III. Minutes – The minutes from the November 14, 2006 meeting were reviewed. C. Cady made motion to make a correction in the minutes pertaining to the Spanish position and wanting an addition made to the minutes that the position is a one year position. Motion to accept the minutes with made by C. Cady, seconded by P. Desilets 3-0 approved, 2 abstaining.

IV. Bills and Payroll - presented by G. Augustus motion to pay the

bills in the amount of \$71,300.41 was made by C. Cady, seconded by P. Desilets 5-0 approved.

V. Spotlight on Excellence: Family and Consumer Sciences project, Mrs. Saksena and students presented pillow sewing projects.

VI. Personnel Matters – None

VII. Discussion Items –

a. Mathematics Program discussion continued by F. Blaess. The superintendent was asked to provide a charge to the new school study committee. A recommendation was made by F. Blaess to form a committee to further investigate best practices.

b. Policy: Student Attendance, first reading presented by Dr. Devine. Motion made by P. Desilets to table this as a discussion item for the January meeting. Seconded by D. Gomez. 5-0 approved.

c. Spending plan presented by Dr. Devine. This plan will be presented on a quarterly basis and eventually monthly.

d. FY'08 budget issues presented by Dr. Devine. A projected 4.47% increase has been reported if all current programs remain and no new programs added. This is assuming a 3% increase in all major categories except salary and benefits.

e. Textbook replacement report presented by F. Blaess. The report included a list of all textbooks replaced.

f. Middletown facilities planning program presented by D. Gomez and P. Desilets. D. Gomez and P. Desilets presented highlights from a

meeting they attended in Middletown pertaining to the school's facility planning.

g. Organization of agenda and specifically position of public input presented by J. Quinn. J. Quinn recommended public input to be positioned before discussion items. C. Cady recommended public input to be positioned before discussion items and before action items. Motion to table C. Cady seconded by M. Harrington to move it to an action item for next meeting. 5-0 approved.

h. Moved (see Item I).

VIII. Action Items –

a. School Study Committee presented by Dr. Devine. This committee will make recommendations to the school committee pertaining to the facility and repairs and replacements that are necessary. Motion to include two members of the school committee to the school study committee 4-0 approved. Motion to include 3 faculty members; one from each area (i.e. K-2, 3-5 and 6-8). 5-0 approved. D. Gomez, seconded by C. Cady. 5-0 approved.

b. Authority of Chairman to sign warrants. Vote to authorize the chairman to authorize Motion by D. Gomez and seconded by P. Desilets. 5-0 approved.

c. Vote to approve '07-'08 Budget Calendar. Motion to approved the 07-08 budget calendar was made by C. Cady, seconded by P. Desilets. 5-0 approved.

IX. Public Input was held.

X. Correspondence – presented.

XI. Information – presented.

**XII. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn made by C. Cady seconded by
P. Desilets 5-0 approved. Meeting adjourned at 9:55 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Sylvia

Fiscal Clerk